# 2003 Current Fiscal Year Report: National Petroleum Reserve - Alaska Research and Monitoring Advisory Team

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1. Department or Agency 2. Fiscal Year

Department of the Interior 2003

3b. GSA
3. Committee or Subcommittee

Committee No.

National Petroleum Reserve - Alaska Research and Monitoring

Advisory Team

4. Is this New During Fiscal 5. Current 6. Expected Renewal 7. Expected Term

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Year? Charter Date Date

No 11/06/2000 11/06/2002 11/06/2002

8a. Was Terminated During 8b. Specific Termination 8c. Actual Term

FiscalYear? Authority Date

Yes 11/06/2002

9. Agency Recommendation for Next10a. Legislation Req to 10b. Legislation

FiscalYear Terminate? Pending?

Terminate No

**11. Establishment Authority** Agency Authority

12. Specific Establishment 13. Effective 14. Committee 14c.

Authority Date Type Presidential?

NE NPR-A IAP/EIS ROD, Secretry

10/07/1998 Continuing No signature

15. Description of Committee Scientific Technical Program Advisory Board

**16a. Total Number of** No Reports for this

**Reports** FiscalYear

17a. Open 1 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 1 Meetings and Dates

Purpose Start End

To review new proposed research and monitoring projects in NPR-A, update the RMT on budget issues, 03/19/2003 - 03/20/2003 and to jointly meet with the NPR-A Subsistence Advisory Panel as stipulated in the RMT charter.

#### Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 1

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00

18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

#### 20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

\*\*Committee has been terminated\*\*The Team advises the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) in assessing the effectiveness and appropriateness of mitigative stipulations established in the Northeast NPR-A Integrated Activity Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), Record of Decision (ROD) 1998. The Team focuses its attention on assessing NPR-A research and monitoring needs, developing and recommending research priorities, and applying improved technology and operating practices.

#### 20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

\*\*Committee has been terminated\*\*Team Member Representation: Federal Gov.: 5 members representing: BLM, MMS, DOE, U.S. Fish & Wildlife-AK, USGS; State Gov. 1 member to represent Alaska Department of Fish and Game; Local Gov: representative: 5 members to represent: North Slope Borough, oil and gas, or related, industry; nat. or reg. recognized environmental or resource conservation organization; nat. resources or nat. sciences academician; and the public at large. Alternates to primary members for categories (iv), (v), (vi) and (vii) will be appointed by the Secretary in the same manner in which primary member appointments are made. It should be notede that the Alaska Department of Fish and Game has declined to join this RMT as an official memeber.

#### 20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

\*\*Committee has been terminated\*\*The Team meets at least twice per year. Additional meetings may be called by the DFO or by the Team with the concurrence of the DFO. One meeting per year will be held in conjunction with the NPR-A Subsistence Advisory Panel.

## 20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

\*\*Committee has been terminated\*\*The Team's proposed functions could not be performed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) or any other agency on its own because one of its primary functions, besides advising the BLM as to what research and monitoring is necessary, is to facilitate the coordination of research and monitoring efforts by several agencies and the oil and gas industry. These functions could not be performed by an existing advisory committee because no such committee represents the agencies

involved nor does it have the scientific expertise to evaluate research needs or research study designs. Public meetings could not perform the Team's proposed functions for the same reasons.

#### 20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

\*\*Committee has been terminated\*\*All meetings are open.

#### 21. Remarks

#### **Designated Federal Officer**

Robert W. Schneider Field Manager, Northern Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, Alaska

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Burwell, Michael	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Alternate, Minerals Management Service, Environmental Assessment Section, Socioeconomic Specialist,	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Craig, James	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Primary, Minerals Management Service, Resource Evaluation & Assessment Section, Geologist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Derksen, Dirk	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Primary, USGS, Biological Resource Division, Supervisory Wildlife Biologist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Ford, John	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Primary, Dept. of Energy, National Petroleum Technology Office, Environmental Project Manager,	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
George, John	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Alternate, North Slope Borough, Dept. of Wildlife Management, Wildlife Biologist,	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Glenn, Richard	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Primary, Public-at-Large, Vice President, Lands Arctic Slope Regional Corp.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hegna, Joseph	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Primary, Oil & Gas Industry, Director of Regulatory Affairs, Phillips Alaska, Inc.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Hochheiser, H.	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Alternate, Dept. of Energy, Manager, Oil and Gas Environmental Research	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Jackson, Pau	I 05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Alternate, National Conservation Organization, Northern Programs Director, The Nature Conservancy	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Lieb, Alvin	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Alternate, Public-at-Large, City Council Member, Atqasuk, Alaska	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Martin, Philip	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Alternate, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Northern Ecological Services, Fish and Wildlife Biologist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Rexstad, Eric	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Primary, Natural Resource Academician, Professor, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Institute of Arctic Biology	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Schneider, Robert	10/01/2002	09/30/2003	Field Manager, Northern Field Office	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Schoen, John	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Primary, National Conservation Organization, Senior Scientist, Audubon Alaska	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Suydam, Robert	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Primary, North Slope Borough, Dept. of Wildlife Management, Wildlife Biologist,	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Taylor, Eric	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Vice-chair, Primary, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Northern Ecological Services, Fish and Wildlife Biologist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
White, Clayton	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Alternate, Natural Resource Adademician, Professor of Zoology, Brigham Young University	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Yokel, David	05/29/2002	05/29/2005	Primary, Bureau of Land Management, Northern Field Office, Alaska, Wildlife Biologist	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

#### **Number of Committee Members Listed: 18**

#### **Narrative Description**

Committee terminated

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?			
	Checked if Applies		
Improvements to health or safety			
Trust in government			
Major policy changes			
Advance in scientific research	✓		
Effective grant making			
Improved service delivery			
Increased customer satisfaction			
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements			
Other			
Outcome Comments			
NA			
What are the cost savings associated with this committee?			
	Checked if Applies		
None			
Unable to Determine			
Under \$100,000	✓		
\$100,000 - \$500,000			
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000			
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000			
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000			
Over \$10,000,000			
Cost Savings Other			
Cost Savings Comments			
NA			

What is the approximate  $\underline{\text{Number}}$  of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

### Committee terminated What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency? 0% % of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments NA What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency? 0% % of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments NA Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered? Yes No Not Applicable **Agency Feedback Comments** Through emails, letters, phone calls What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation? Checked if Applies Reorganized Priorities Reallocated resources Issued new regulation Proposed legislation Approved grants or other payments Other

**Number of Recommendations Comments** 

#### **Action Comments**

Several Assistance Agreements have been concluded to implement resource studies in NPR-A.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?					
Grant Review Comments NA					
How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?					
	Checked if Applies				
Contact DFO	✓				
Online Agency Web Site					
Online Committee Web Site					
Online GSA FACA Web Site					
Publications					
Other					
Access Comments					
NA					